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Torrance, California
October 21, 1958

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL

The City Council of the City of Torrance convened in a regular meeting at 5:30 P. M. Tuesday, October 21, 1958, in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Torrance, California.

Those responding to roll call by Deputy City Clerk Whitacre were: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Benstead, Blount, Bradford, Drale, Jahn, Isen. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None. The City Attorney and the Assistant City Manager were also present.

At the request of Mayor Isen, Mrs. Eve Bisou led the salute to our Flag.

The Reverend Charles W. Little of the Church of the Nazarene opened the meeting with an invocation.

Councilman Beasley moved to approve the Minutes of the October 14, 1958, meeting as written.

Motion seconded by Councilman Benstead, no objections, so ordered.

BIDS:

Mayor Isen announced that bids for an EMULSION TRUCK would be opened in the Council Chamber at 10:00 A. M. Wednesday, October 22, 1958.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre presented the Affidavit of Publication, which was accepted and ordered filed.

HEARINGS:

Mayor Isen announced this was the time and place for: HEARING on Resolution of Intention No. 3577, WEED ABATEMENT, covering parcels 1024 through 1209.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre presented the Affidavit of Publication. There were no objections, and this was accepted and ordered filed.

Mayor Isen asked if anyone present wished to be heard.

Mr. Ogle, 1984 West 174th St., told the Council he is now cleaning his lot and it will be done before the time limit expires.

No one else wished to be heard.

Councilman Benstead moved to close the hearing.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3586

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING CARBOHAD
CORPORATION, INC., AND THEIR EMPLOYEES TO ABATE
THE NUISANCE LOCATED ON PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF
TORRANCE DESCRIBED IN RESOLUTION NO. 3577.

Councilman Drale moved to dispense with further reading of the Resolution.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Drale moved for adoption of Resolution No. 3586.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Mayor Isen, on behalf of the Council, welcomed to the Council meeting two journalists who were visiting us this evening at guests of Mr. Herb Gulick of the Daily Breeze, and asked that Mr. Gulick introduce his guests.

Mr. Gulick introduced Mr. Osman Benwak of Singapore and Mr. A. P. Chaudhry of Karachi. These gentlemen are visiting the United States under the auspices of Columbia University and the State Dept., and are now finishing their tour of the country and en route to San Francisco, where they leave for home on Sunday.

Mayor Isen presented these gentlemen with keys to the City after a brief welcoming speech.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

1. A September 26, 1958, memorandum from C. W. Clemmer, Asst. Park Supt., was resubmitted, having been held from the last meeting of the Council.

Mr. Clemmer's memo concerned the large old pines on Madrid Ave., and reported that those on the east side need pruning and cleaning, which the Department can do, with the exception of the tree at the McTee residence at 810 Madrid.

Councilman Benstead moved the Park Dept. be notified to clean up the trees in that area with the exception of the one at 810 Madrid, which should be removed and replaced.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, no objections, so ordered.

2. An October 14, 1958, request from the Salvation Army, 125 W. Beryl St., Redondo Beach, was signed by Hope Guernsey, Lt., Commanding Officer. The letter requested permission to place their Christmas Kettles on the street in Torrance commencing November 28, 1958, through December 24, 1958, to solicit funds for their Christmas welfare program.

Councilman Drale moved the request be granted.

Motion seconded by Councilman Bradford, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

3. An October 15, 1958, petition from 9 residents of Kingsdale Ave., asked that they be given relief from the dust blowing into their homes from El Nido park.

Mayor Isen asked if the Dept. of Public Works had looked into this, and Mr. Russell said they had not, as this just came to his attention today.

Mayor Isen suggested this be referred to the Park & Recreation Dept. and the Dept. of Public Works.

The Assistant City Manager, Don Mansfield, said that if the parking area could be oiled it might eliminate the problem. He said a report on this could be given to the Council next week.

Mayor Isen asked for the report from the Park & Recreation Dept., Public Works, and the Assistant City Manager to be given at the next Council meeting.

Councilman Drale wanted to hear Mr. Moreheart on this, saying he was present and undoubtedly had information on the matter.

George Moreheart, 18520 Kingsdale, Redondo Beach, thought the trouble could be resolved with some oil on the driveway and parking area.

There were no objections, and the Council agreed to hold this for the reports requested by the Mayor.

4. A September 24, 1958, petition from residents on Dalemead between Tandem Way and Weston Rd., was for the widening of Dalemead. The petition stated the street is hardly wide enough for children to play safely in the street, and the residents want more traffic control.

The City Engineer gave the Council a report covering a meeting held with the Messrs. Bigelow and Nickel on Feb. 26, 1958, about this.

He said he believed that due to the development planned in the area, the problem would take care of itself in the not too distant future. He pointed out that both of these gentlemen are willing to sell the easements to the City. He believed that if the need were urgent enough, the residents of the area might open the street with an improvement district under the 1903 Street Opening Act.

Mayor Isen asked if we might not have more rigid traffic enforcement there, and get the trees trimmed, as they are a traffic hazard.

There were no objections, and this was ordered to be referred to the Traffic Commission for ideas on traffic law enforcement and for information on whether the trees should be trimmed.

Councilman Jahn asked if the street had been widened and the improvements put in where the new tract is, and the City Engineer said yes.

Councilman Benstead asked whose property the trees stand on, and the City Engineer said that property belongs to Mr. Nickel.

Councilman Benstead pointed out that we must, then, have permission to trim the trees.

5. An October 16, 1958, letter from the Torrance Adult Club, signed by Guy Hight, President, thanked the Council and City Departments for the sun shelter, lights, and other improvements recently made at the Torrance Adult Center. Copies of this had gone to the Parks & Recreation Commission and to the Recreation Department.

There were no objections, and this was ordered filed as a matter of record.

6. An October 16, 1958, letter from John Melville, accepted his appointment as a member of the City's new Water Commission.

Mayor Isen said the Council had received letters of acceptance from all other appointed to this Commission as well, and that the City Attorney had said they might be appointed at this time, with the appointments to become effective at the same time the Ordinance takes effect.

Mayor Isen therefor made the following nominations to the Water Commission:

Mr. John Melville
Mr. Mervin Schwab
Mr. Roger P. Hogue
Mr. Jack Brooks
Mr. W. E. Ford

and asked that the Council be polled on these appointments.

The Council, upon being polled, approved these appointments unanimously.

The Mayor directed Mr. Whitacre to notify the gentlemen of the effective date of the appointments.

7. Resubmitted, an October 6, 1958, letter from the City of Redondo Beach, signed by F. M. Arnold City Clerk, asking support in their plan for the extension of Aviation Blvd. and Flagler Lane to the intersection of Prospect Avenue.

Councilman Beasley asked to have this held until the next meeting of the Council so the report from the City Manager on this can be made before a decision is reached.

There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER:

1. In an October 15, 1958, letter, the City Manager submitted the following recommendation for Council consideration and approval:

APPROPRIATIONS:

For the purchase of 50 gallons of Saf-T-Walk, non-slip compound for use on the floors of the Plunge dressing rooms, the sum of \$345 plus tax.

With this, the City Manager submitted a copy of the request from Recreation Director Van Bellehem, as follows:

"Attached is a requisition for purchase of non-slip floor compound to be applied to floors in Plunge dressing rooms. This is the only material that we have tested that will do the job at a reasonable price. We expect to do the application ourselves.

"May I request a special appropriation out of the Un-allocated reserve in the amount of \$358.80 for purchasing this material?"

Councilman Jahn asked when this is to be applied, but no one was sure.

Councilman Jahn said this would make a difference in his vote.

There were no objections, and this was ordered held for the return of the City Manager.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER:

1. An October 16, 1958, letter from Asst. City Manager Mansfield read as follows:

"Water Supt. McVicar informs us that Mr. Donald E. Hendrickson, 110 Paseo de la Concha, has made a payment in the amount of \$7.20 for refuse collection services not rendered.

"Due to the fact that this individual has private collection service for his apartment house, it is recommended that a refund of \$7.20 be approved for Mr. Hendrickson."

Councilman Benstead moved to concur with Mr. Mansfield's recommendation.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

RE COMMUNICATIONS OPERATOR:

This item had been held over from the Sept. 16, 1958, meeting of the Council, so that Fire Chief Benner could be present when this was discussed.

Submitted were:

- a. A July 31, 1958, memo from Chief Benner to the Civil Service Commission requesting the job classification be prepared;
- b. An August 26, 1958, memo from the Civil Service Board to the Council concurring in the recommendation that a classification for a Communications Operator be established, and that a credit of 15% be allowed disabled veterans on this examination;
- c. A Sept. 11, 1958 memo from Chief Benner to the City Manager requesting this job description go to the Council, and saying he would like to open the position on October 1;
- d. The job description;
- e. A Sept. 9, 1958, memo from D. W. Mansfield to G. W. Stevens giving the results of a study made on this classification.

Mayor Isen asked what action was required on this.

Mr. Mansfield said our study indicated that when a handicapped person is used for this work, an able-bodied fireman can be put on a truck instead of having to be held to answer the phone. We find this is well worth while. He said the Chief would like to have two lists on this, one of eligible persons within the City and of those from outside the City who are eligible. He felt the Chief should be given some opportunity to make a selection of the most qualified persons.

Councilman Benstead asked if the bulletin had been posted, and Mr. Mansfield said it had not.

In reply to another question from Councilman Benstead, Mr. Mansfield

said no one would be hired for this until a list has been established.

Councilman Benstead said he had wanted to be sure of this.

The Assistant City Manager pointed out that while we are waiting for this, an able-bodied fireman will be kept off the trucks to answer the telephone. Councilman Benstead believed a little delay in this respect would not matter.

Councilman Drale asked if the City has an employee who might be transferred to this work, and Mr. Mansfield said he could think of none at this time.

Councilman Jahn moved to concur with the recommendation that this Classification be established and the job description approved and that the examination be held and the list established.

Councilman Benstead seconded the motion, no objections, so ordered.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CIVIL SERVICE BOARD:

1. In a memo dated October 8, 1958, W. C. Bradford, Secretary to the Civil Service Board, transmitted to the Council their approval of a request from Mrs. Jeanette Hoffman for a 6-month leave of absence without pay, commencing October 1, 1958. This request was made on the recommendation of her physician, and was approved by the City Manager.

A leave of absence of more than one week, excepting sick leave, must be ratified by the City Council.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur in granting the leave of absence.

Motion seconded by Councilman Benstead, all in favor, so ordered.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STREET DEPARTMENT:

1. An October 10, 1958, letter from R. S. Perkins, Street Supt., requested an appropriation of \$763.20 + 4% tax, a total of \$793.72 for the purchase of 24 folding all-metal barricades, from the Neo-Flasher Mfg. Co., 3210 Valhalla Dr., Burbank, Calif.

Mr. Perkins reported that only one other manufacturer of this type of barricade is in the area, the Blinker Lite Supply Co., and they had bid \$869.37 to provide these barricades.

Councilman Drale moved to grant the request of the Street Supt.

Motion seconded by Councilman Benstead and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

2. An October 16, 1958, memorandum from R. S. Perkins, Street Supt., to the City Manager, requested an appropriation of \$1385 plus tax for white traffic paint, (500 gallons), and 2,000 pounds of beads for the same purpose.

An October 16, 1958, memo from D. W. Mansfield was appended and recommended that the request be approved.

Councilman Benstead felt that we should estimate the amount of paint we will need during a fiscal year and call for bids on it. He moved this be broken down and we call for bids on paint.

Councilman Jahn said he would go along with this except on traffic paint. He said the Street Dept. and City Manager have reported to the Traffic Commission that various kinds of paint have been tried, and although they may meet the bid specifications some of them have to be replaced so quickly that we lose money on them, even though the price may be cheaper at the beginning.

The Assistant City Manager told the Council that there is a series of stripes on Torrance Blvd. east of Madrona where we test paint. The ones still visible are made with the kind of paint we will buy.

Councilman Drale moved to concur with the request.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn, and carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Blount, Bradford, Drale, Jahn, Isen. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Benstead. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Benstead moved his motion on the rest of the paint for the rest of this year.

Councilman Jahn seconded the motion, with the stipulation that traffic paint not be included.

There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM LICENSE DEPARTMENT:

1. An October 1, 1958, communication from Deseret Industries, 2720 E. 11th St., Los Angeles 23, was signed by John M. Iversen, Manager. This contained their request for a permit to solicit salvage materials in Torrance, and a free license for this.

A memo from License Inspector Whitacre was appended, stating the request had been approved by the Police Dept., and recommending that a free license be granted for the balance of the year 1958.

Councilman Drale moved to concur with the request.

Motion seconded by Councilman Benstead and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

2. An October 2, 1958, letter from the Las Colinas Garden Club was signed by Mrs. Jack Worthen, Chairman of their Program & Arrangements Committee. They asked for a free permit to cover the sale of Christmas decorating items offered by their speaker, Mr. Gordon B. Lloyd, on December 1, 1958, in the Walteria Park Recreation Building. The Club is a non-profit organization, and all members are residents of Torrance.

A memo from the License Inspector reported that the Garden Club is not paying the speaker any fee, and his source of compensation for the lecture will be from the sale of the Christmas items. Under Section 16.40, therefore, Mr. Whitacre could not recommend that a free license be granted.

Councilman Benstead moved to concur with the recommendation of the License Inspector.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn, and carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Benstead, Blount, Bradford, Jahn, Isen. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Drale. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

3. An October 16, 1958, memo from License Inspector Whitacre submitted to the Council the request of the Victory Oil Co. of 3381 Myrtle Ave., Long Beach, for the release of their oil well bond, Bond No. 7265751, in the amount of \$500, covering the oil well known as Langer #1, on lots 3, 4, and 5, Tract 530, at the SE corner of 233rd and Eshelman. Mr. Whitacre reported the well has been abandoned and the property cleared to the satisfaction of Mr. Powell, who recommended the release of the bond. Therefore, Mr. Whitacre recommended the bond be released in accordance with pertinent City legislation.

Councilman Jahn moved to concur with the recommendation of the License Inspector and release the bond.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

4. An October 16, 1958, letter from the Torrance Nursery School, Inc., was signed by Junette West, Ways & Means Chairman. They asked for permission to use the Civic Auditorium for a puppet show to be held on March 14, 1959, under the supervision of "Bob Baker Productions". The letter stated that this program is being planned by their Ways & Means Committee to buy large equipment for the children to use at school.

In a memo appended, the License Inspector recommended this be granted subject to the approval of the use of the auditorium by the Recreation Department.

Councilman Benstead asked if this was not the same as the request

denied previously, and the License Inspector said this group is incorporated as a non-profit organization.

Councilman Jahn asked if this is being done without charge, and the License Inspector said the school would pay the entertainers and would make a charge, with the profit going to the school. The other case considered tonight was different, as the profit would have gone to the speaker and not to the organization sponsoring him.

Councilman Drale moved the request be granted as recommended by the License Inspector.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley.

Councilman Bradford asked if the children attend this school free of charge.

He was told that they do not.

Councilman Bradford could not see the difference between the two requests, then, and thought they should be treated the same.

Motion to grant the request failed by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Drale, Isen. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Benstead, Blount, Bradford, Jahn. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

5. A letter from the Muscular Dystrophy Associations of America, Inc., Los Angeles County Chapter, signed by W. R. Van Houten, Executive Secretary, contained their request for a free license to conduct a fund raising drive within Torrance during the period between December 1, 1958 and December 31, 1958.

A memo was appended from License Inspector Whitacre recommending this request be granted.

Councilman Jahn moved to concur with the recommendation of the License Inspector.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM RECREATION DEPARTMENT:

1. An October 3, 1958, letter from H. B. Van Bellehem was resubmitted. This letter requested the refund of \$65 for rental of the Plunge to Car Clubs Associated, as an electrical storm had prevented them from using the Plunge.

Councilman Jahn moved this refund be granted, but not twice, saying the request had been here before.

Motion seconded by Mayor Isen, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:

1. An October 16, 1958, letter from J. V. Russell, Director of Public Works, contained his recommendation that a contract for a Forced Air Heating and Ventilating System for the Torrance Public Library, at 1345 Post Ave., be awarded to the low bidder, the Air-Therm Heating and Airconditioning Co. of San Pedro. Their bid was in the amount of \$1355.00.

Councilman Jahn asked if this had been provided for in their budget.

Asst. City Manager Mansfield said it had not been planned for in the budget, but they have the funds available in the account. It was appropriate, he said, under the circumstances of the use of the building which is over 20 years old.

In reply to a question from Councilman Jahn, Mr. Mansfield said this money would not come from the Unappropriated Reserve.

Councilman Drale moved to concur with the recommendation of the Director of Public Works.

Councilman Blount seconded the motion, which carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Benstead asked where the bids for this had been opened, and what the circumstances were.

Mr. Russell said they had been opened Monday morning in his office before 4 people.

Councilman Benstead thought all bids should be opened in this Council Chamber, and he moved that in the future this be the procedure.

Mayor Isen thought they were all opened here, but Mr. Mansfield explained that many times we take informal bids in amounts of less than \$300 which do not require opening.

Motion lost for lack of a second.

Mr. Mansfield asked for instruction from the Council on this, and Mayor Isen said that in cases of informal bids City management should use their discretion.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT:

1. AWARD OF CONTRACT - Calle Miramar Storm Drain:

With a cover letter dated October 16, 1958, J. R. Patrick, Asst. to the City Engineer, submitted a summary of the bids on this project, and recommended that the bid be awarded to the ABC Construction Co. of California, who bid \$27,320.00.

Councilman Drale moved to concur with the recommendation of the Engineering Department.

Motion seconded by Councilman Benstead.

Mayor Isen asked where the money would come from, and Mr. Mansfield replied it was budgeted, and we are paying only 60% of the cost of this.

2. AWARD OF CONTRACT - 237th and 238th St. Sewer:

With a cover letter dated October 16, 1958, the City Engineer submitted a summary of the bids submitted on this sewer, and recommended that the bid of Charles J. Dorfman, in the amount of \$6,976 be accepted as the lowest responsible bid and all other bids be rejected.

Councilman Bradford asked the City Engineer about this, saying he recalled that the figure discussed had been \$5,000.00, and saying he did not remember the 320' of 6" pipe. He asked if this pipe had been an afterthought.

The City Engineer said it had. He said they had found a border-line case and it was determined that we should take care of it.

Councilman Bradford asked if Nos. 3 and 4 were border-line cases as well, and Mr. Bishop said they were.

Councilman Bradford asked if this figure is not about \$1500 higher than had been estimated, and Mr. Bishop said it is. He pointed out, however, that it is about \$2,000 lower than the next bid, so he said he had recommended it after a discussion with both the City Manager and the Director of Public Works.

Councilman Bradford moved to accept this low bid, saying we had no alternative.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn, and carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Benstead, Blount, Bradford, Jahn, Isen. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEN: Drale. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Drale said he had abstained because he felt this affair had been composed of costly mistakes.

Mayor Isen said he had checked with the City Attorney on the blanket motion to dispense with reading of Resolutions and Ordinances, and he asked the City Attorney to report on this.

City Attorney Remelmeyer said the City Council had the right to waive the reading of any of the Resolutions and/or Ordinances presented to them, subject to the demand of any Councilman for the reading of any particular Resolution or Ordinance.

Councilman Blount asked what was to be gained by this, and Mayor Isen said we would save a great deal of time required for individual

roll calls.

Councilman Blount said his objection to this had been caused by the fact that he wanted to be sure that any Councilman had the right to discuss any Resolution or Ordinance.

Councilman Jahn said he would make such a motion, referring to the City Attorney's statement.

Mayor Isen seconded the motion.

Councilman Drale asked what would happen if a person in the audience wanted to ask about a specific Resolution or Ordinance.

Mayor Isen said after the number had been given, the title read, and the motion for adoption or denial made and seconded, discussion would be open.

Councilman Blount moved to amend the motion, changing the phrase 'subject to' to 'guaranteeing the right'.

Councilman Jahn accepted the amendment.

Mayor Isen asked the City Attorney to put a good wording on the Agenda for this motion.

The Secretary asked if the motion was intended to include the assignment of proper number and reading of the title, and was told that it did by inference.

Motion, as amended, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Bradford asked if this motion could be typed up on a separate piece of paper, and was told it would be on the Agenda.

Councilman Blount asked if the Council would get it each week, and was told it would be on each Agenda.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre reported that we had bypassed the Resolution on the Calle Miramar Storm Drain, and at this time read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3587

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR
AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THAT CERTAIN CONTRACT
BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND ABC
CONSTRUCTION COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA.

Councilman Benstead moved for adoption of Resolution No. 3587.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3588

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR
AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THAT CERTAIN CONTRACT
BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND CHARLES
J. DORFMAN, AN INDIVIDUAL.

Councilman Jahn moved for adoption of Resolution No. 3588.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Benstead, Blount, Bradford, Jahn, Isen. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEN: Drale. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

At 6:30 P. M., Mayor Isen declared a recess, with the Council re-convening at 6:40 P. M.

3. A letter from City Engineer Bishop, undated, concerned Henrietta Street in Tract No. 22228. A copy of a letter from Don Wilson, builder, dated May 27, 1958, was submitted with Mr. Bishop's letter.

City Engineer Bishop told the Council he had a copy of the grading plan for their inspection. He explained that the private individual getting the dirt does not have the money for the bond.

Councilman Bradford noted that this requested reducing the grade from 1% to 1/2%, and said he did not think that was enough grade.

The City Engineer thought it reasonable under the circumstances. He said it would reduce the volume of runoff about 50%, but the fill will be shallow enough so if it is properly compacted the footings can be carried on down.

Councilman Jahn asked how much fill was being talked about, and the City Engineer said from 2 to 3 feet.

Mayor Isen asked if Mr. Wilson's paving of the 30' of Henrietta is contingent upon the City paving the 10' on the other side of the street.

Mr. Don Wilson, 2918 Compton Blvd., came forward. He said they would pave the 30' regardless of the City's action. He asked his engineer, Mr. Harrison, to explain this to the Council.

Mr. Harrison said that they will bring this street to grade and if the property owners on the east are willing to dedicate the 5' on that side for the easements and slopes and give the waivers, they would ask the City to participate in the paving of the 10'. One is not contingent upon the other. The estimated cost of paving the 10' is about \$12,000.00. He thought this price could be improved on if this was all done at once. They will put in the curbs, gutters, and sidewalks on the west side of the street. They have planned to put in an asphalt berm type of curb on the east.

Mayor Isen asked if they would get the easements for us, and Mr. Harrison said they could not, but would work with the City on it.

Mayor Isen thought it would be better if we had the easements on file before we make such an agreement.

Councilman Beasley thought this work was almost a year away, and asked when it would be done.

Councilman Beasley was told by Mr. Harrison they would get started near December 1 on the grading, and in about 3 months after that would do the paving. He said they have a 50' right of way, and can put in 40' of paving, but would have to go back to the property owners and get slope rights and waivers.

This was discussed by the Council, and Mayor Isen suggested that the matters of the street and the fill on Mr. Kenyon's land be considered separately.

Councilman Jahn said it is quite a deep fill on the Kenyon property, and reducing the grade might create a bad situation. He felt we could get the easements we need when the property is developed. This street will be wide enough for present use.

Mr. Harrison said that is a bad hole, and they are only trying to fill it so it will drain. He pointed out that on 1/2% of grade and in this type of soil, there is a high percolation factor and there should be almost no drainage from this.

Councilman Beasley said the standard width of our residential streets is 54'; he did not see why Henrietta needed to be so wide. If we could eliminate the dips on the street, it would be a safety factor.

Mr. Harrison said they are eliminating the dips and natural sumps in the street. The Planning Commission asked that the street be this wide, as they foresee that it will carry heavy traffic in the future.

Councilman Dralle said we could not put in the 10' of paving at this time because of the lack of finances. He asked if the 1% grade would interfere with the paving.

Mr. Wilson said not if they pave just to 10' east of the centerline as they are required to do, but said they are offering an opportunity to the City to correct a bad situation there.

Councilman Bradford felt that we would have some low spots in the 15' which would be undeveloped, and that Wilson would be contributing to the hazard of that street by the run-off from the paved street.

Mr. Harrison said they would not; he explained this once more.

Councilman Beasley asked Mr. Wilson if we agreed to the 60' street if he and the Engineering Dept. would not try to get the easements and bring the grade up and pave the street.

Mr. Harrison said yes. He said they plan to bring the street up to grade for us, and all the City will have to do is pave it.

Councilman Jahn said there is one problem here - the request that we lower the slopelevel on the fill on Kenyon's property from 1% to 1/2%.

Mr. Harrison thought if this request of Mr. Kenyon's was denied, that Mr. Kenyon would withdraw his request.

Councilman Jahn said Mr. Kenyon does not want to pay for a bond, and asked what difference it made to him if the grade is left at 1%.

Mr. Harrison said he needs about 40,000 yards of dirt at 40¢ a yard, which will have to be trucked to the land and compacted.

Councilman Jahn thought the Staff could get in touch with Mr. Kenyon and ask him to leave this at 1% grade.

Councilman Bradford said the property is a natural sump, so by decreasing the grade we are giving him a chance for seepage.

Councilman Bradford asked who had made the decision that this be a 60' street, and Mr. Harrison said it had been requested by the Planning Commission.

There were no objections, and Mayor Isen ordered this to be referred to the Staff at their next meeting for a report to the Council.

Mr. Russell told the Council the next Staff meeting is to be held on November 3.

After a short discussion, it was agreed that Mr. Russell would call a special staff meeting on this.

Mr. Wilson asked if the City Manager and some of the Councilmen might attend such a meeting.

Mayor Isen had no objection, and suggested that Councilman Jahn and/or Councilman Bradford attend.

Councilman Beasley thought the property owners north of Kenyon should also be notified of this.

Mr. Wilson said that would be done.

4. With a cover letter dated October 17, 1958, the City Engineer submitted his recommendation for acceptance of a 1' street easement on the easterly end of the southerly one-half of 186th St. in Tract No. 24330 in order that Planning Commission Case No. W-41 may have legal access.

Councilman Jahn moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Engineer.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, all in favor, so ordered. Deputy City Clerk Whitacre read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3589

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, ACCEPTING LOT 40 IN TRACT NO. 24330 FOR PUBLIC STREET PURPOSES ON BEHALF OF SAID CITY AND OF THE PUBLIC, AND NAMING SUCH ACCEPTED PORTION.

Councilman Jahn moved for adoption of Resolution No. 3589.

Motion seconded by Councilman Benstead, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

REPORTS:

1. The office of the City Clerk reported receipt in that office, on October 10, 1958, of a complaint and summons in the action of Charles D. Wagner et al, dba Wagner Realty Co., against the City and the Torrance Municipal Water Dist. The claim was denied by the Council at their regular meeting held August 5, 1958.

2. The office of the City Clerk reported that they have on file the September reports from the General Manager and the Controller for the Metropolitan Water District.

3. Oral Discussion: From A. E. McVicar, Supt., Municipal Water District No. 3, re water service for Tract No. 21624.

Mr. McVicar came forward to report on this; he said there are 34 houses just west of Western Avenue to be served; for us to serve them will require installation of about \$10,000 worth of water line. Moneta wants to serve the houses, and will waive all claims so far as any value in any subsequent negotiations if they can serve the tract. He said he would recommend this.

Councilman Jahn said the subdivider provides the lines in the tract and pays for them, and deeds them to the water company serving his tract. He would protest ever having to pay Moneta for them under those circumstances.

Mr. McVicar said this agreement would preclude that happening.

Councilman Jahn said if the City Attorney would write up an agreement on this, stipulating the point, he would consider concurrence, and he so moved.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, no objections, so ordered.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY ATTORNEY:

1. In a letter dated October 16, 1958, the City Attorney referred to Resolution No. 3556, granting an easement to the Southern California Edison Company to serve the new City Yard. By inadvertance a paragraph, Paragraph No. 6, had been inserted which the Edison Co. has requested be stricken. He recommended that the Council concur with the request, and felt a motion of concurrence would be sufficient.

Mayor Isen moved to concur with the City Attorney's recommendation here that Paragraph No. 6 be stricken from Resolution No. 3556.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn, no objections, so ordered.

2. In a letter dated October 16, 1958, the City Attorney referred to our 'Litter Ordinance', and gave his opinion that our present ordinance is sufficient to prohibit the littering of sidewalks. The applicable provision is Section 13.6 of the City Code, (Ordinance No. 471, Section 1).

Mayor Isen, who had asked for a report on this, said the situation in the downtown area is really bad, and said he thought perhaps we need a 'Torrance Beautiful' Committee to work on this, and more trash receptacles.

Councilman Bradford suggested that our present trash containers on the streets be plainly marked as to how to open them, saying he has seen people trying hard to open them and not being able to find the proper opening. He suggested that they be painted 'Push' in red letters on the side of the can where they open.

Councilman Jahn thought this suggestion an excellent one, and asked that the City Manager consider it.

3. The City Attorney gave the Council a sheet excerpted from the master lease with Jefferson, Inc., and said a question has arisen here as to whether or not there can be a service station at the corner of the Pacific Coast Highway and Crenshaw. He believed the lease was written in such a way as to prevent it, but he said they have interpreted this differently. They believe they can put a service station there with the consent of the City Council. He said there is no question about the rest of the premises. They have brought this up in connection with breaking up the master lease into sub-leases.

After a short discussion, the Mayor asked the City Attorney to assure the Council in writing that there is the same stipulation in the leases made by Jefferson, Inc., or he would not sign them.

4. The City Attorney and Director of Public Works were prepared to give their oral report on the situation of drainage on Portobello Drive, and the City Attorney asked the Director of Public Works to begin his report.

Mr. Russell, using a chart to illustrate his report, showed the Council where it has been found that water is draining to the spot where there is a severe erosion problem. He showed a diagram of the cure proposed by the engineer retained by the City, and said it would be very expensive. He pointed out the lots affected by the problem now, and those which may be affected in the future. The engineer had recommended an 8" drain 14' deep. Mr. Russell thought these drains would run between 10 and 11 thousand dollars, and that to bank up the back of the properties from the bottom would cost at least \$15,000.00.

Mayor Isen asked if it is the legal responsibility of the City to do this.

The City Attorney did not believe this to be our responsibility nor that of any City official. He said he was not able to determine the liability of either Converse or the subdivider, and that he felt that must be determined by a court. However, if we put in this drain we would probably be liable or at least the officials of the City who participate in it would be liable. That would not include the Councilmen in all likelihood, but would probably include the City Manager, the City Engineer, etc., on down the chain of command. The City will then be liable and would eventually pay, even with the doctrine of sovereign amnesty.

The City Attorney raised another question, that of using public funds for the improvement of private property. He felt it impossible on his part to determine whether this is a proper expenditure of public funds. It would benefit 4 lots, and the engineer who investigated this for the City thought the problem would eventually reach other lots. The engineer had believed the problem would grow because of people watering their gardens in the area. We must at this time consider the possible expenditure of \$30,000 of public funds against the benefit which may accrue.

Mayor Isen asked if the houses had not been built by a corporation.

The City Attorney said yes, and that a judgement against them would probably be empty and futile at this time as the corporation has probably been dissolved.

The City Attorney told the Council that he would recommend that, if they decide to go ahead with this, in the absence of the City Manager, they give some thought to contributions from the people who will be benefitted, and possibly from the builders of the houses and the soil engineer who had approved the compaction.

Councilman Jahn moved that a copy of these Minutes, or preferably a report from the Attorney, be sent to the people who had asked the City to look into this, so they can see what we are faced with, and that the possibility of contributions from the responsible and affected parties be considered by the Staff.

Councilman Drale asked the purpose of this motion, and Councilman Jahn said he wanted the people there to see the report we had from the Engineer and this discussion tonight.

Mayor Isen seconded the motion, there were no objections, and it was so ordered.

Councilman Jahn moved the problem of finding the people willing to contribute to the building of this drain and to what extent they will contribute be turned over to the Staff with a report to be made to the Council.

Mayor Isen asked if the motion inferred the City would pay any part of the cost, and Councilman Jahn said that was not the intent of his motion, and if there was any such inference here he wished it to be removed.

Councilman Beasley asked the City Engineer how long it would take fissures there to become wide enough to take in all of the houses if

the wall breaks behind Lot 47, and asked what is below those houses.

The City Engineer said as the wall washes down it will have a flatter slope and will become stronger.

Mayor Isen said it will eventually reach the City water tank, and asked why we do not start suit on the basis of that and bring in all the people and try to get the responsibility for this fixed.

Councilman Bradford said he had asked the Attorney some weeks ago if the City did not have recourse because of the condition of the fence there.

The City Attorney said he did not know, and he had not considered this.

Councilman Bradford asked if it is not possible to contact the contractor who built the houses and get him in and talk to him about this.

The City Attorney said it is.

Mayor Isen thought the courts would fix responsibility on those who built the tract, and even though the corporation may have been dissolved, he felt that profits had been divided. He felt this to be a very simple matter.

The City Attorney said he would not want to pass judgement on what might be decided by the Courts. He was sure of the difficulty of getting contributions from those persons who composed the corporation.

Mayor Isen said we have been of assistance to them in getting this report and paying for it. He did not feel the City could go any further, even though he and every member of this Council are sympathetic. He felt this would be using public funds for private property improvement.

Councilman Beasley said almost every action taken by the Council was to help the people in the City. He expressed concern over what may happen when the rains come. He pointed out that the City has an investment in the water tank and property there.

Councilman Jahn said no matter what contributions come from the people there, the City will have to participate if the drains are ever to go in. He moved to allow this project on public property to its full extent, and said his other motion only referred this to the Staff to see if the people there want to participate and to what extent. He did not in any way infer that the City would participate in the expenditure of funds.

Councilman Drale said the remedies proposed here would cost about \$30,000 and there are 4 lots affected; he did not think those people would participate to a great extent. He felt an assessment district for this improvement would be difficult to promote.

Councilman Jahn said he had included only the drain in his motion. He did not agree with refilling and rebanking the hill.

Councilman Bradford asked the City Attorney if all the houses in that area facing the streets are not contributing to this.

The City Attorney said that was what the engineer who made this survey had said.

Councilman Bradford asked if the people at the end of the street do not have legal recourse.

The City Attorney replied it is very difficult to prove to what extent the watering contributes.

Councilman Blount seconded Councilman Jahn's motion.

Councilman Bradford felt the people there should have their own attorney.

Mayor Isen said they have one, and had filed a suit with us.

Councilman Bradford said he did not believe the Staff should solicit the people there to see if they want to contribute to this. He felt this was outside the bounds of our responsibility.

Motion carried, as amended, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Benstead, Blount, Drale, Jahn. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Bradford, Isen. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Bradford said he had voted against this because he did

not believe the Staff should ask the people for contributions to this.
Councilman Drale and Mayor Isen both said they believed the Staff would handle this tactfully.

A memorandum from the office of the City Clerk which had been handed to Mayor Isen was taken up at this time. It asked for: "Correction of October 14 Minutes: Page 5 under Written Communications, Item 3, second paragraph, Line 5, should read: "Under Section 17.60 of the City Code, parked cars..."

There were no objections, and the correction was ordered.

Mayor Isen said a corrected page, the last page of the October 7, 1958, Minutes, had been distributed, but he had not received a copy and would like to have one.

Councilman Blount had not received that sheet, either, and said he would also like to have a copy of it.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WATER DEPARTMENT: (AWARD OF BID)

1. An October 17, 1958, letter from A. E. McVicar, Supt. of the Water Dept., submitted an analysis of the bids they recieved on 4", 6", and 8" pipe. Mr. McVicar recommended that the 4" pipe be awarded to the American Cast Iron Pipe Co., the 6" and 8" pipe be awarded to the Pacific States Cast Iron Pipe Co., saying they were the low bidders in each case.

An October 17, 1958, memorandum from the Asst. City Manager reported that he concurred with the recommendations on these bids.

Upon motion by Councilman Jahn, seconded by Councilman Beasley, this was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

BIDS:

Mayor Isen announced that Bids for sandblasting a 1,000,000 gallon fuel tank and coating the inside of it would be opened in the Council Chamber at 10:00 A. M. Wednesday, October 22, 1958.

EXTENSION ON CITY PROPERTY:

Mayor Isen announced there is a request from Mr. Vespasian for an extension into City Property of 4", in order for him to put a stone veneer on his property.

Councilman Blount moved the request be granted.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, no objection, so ordered.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Deputy City Clerk Whitacre read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3590

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR
AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT
CERTAIN AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY AND
WEST COAST TRANSIT ADVERTISING COMPANY FOR
ADVERTISING RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES ON CITY
OWNED TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES.

Councilman Jahn moved for adoption of Resolution No. 3590.

Motion seconded by Councilman Bradford, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

2. Councilman Blount asked where the next Resolution, endorsing Propositions A, B and C, had come from.

The City Attorney said he had put it on the Agenda, but he could not recall who had requested this.

Mayor Isen directed the City Attorney to note who had requested such items in the future.

Mayor Isen felt this should be approved, but said if it is not passed tonight it would be too late.

Councilman Bradford did not feel this was City business, and Councilman Benstead agreed with him.

Councilman Blount moved this be removed from the Agenda.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn.

After a full and lengthy discussion, the motion was ordered carried.

Councilman Jahn moved that the City Council endorse Propositions A, B, and C on the November ballot.

Motion seconded by Mayor Isen, and failed by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Drale, Jahn, Isen. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Benstead, Blount, Bradford. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Drale recalled that the Council had endorsed other measures which will be on the ballot, and could not see why these should not be considered.

ORDINANCES:

1. An October 16, 1958, cover letter from City Attorney Remel-meyer submitted an Ordinance bringing the terms of the members of the Parks & Recreation Commission into line with the terms of other Commissioners in the City, but noting that the Commission still has seven members. This ordinance had been requested by the Council at the meeting of October 7, 1958.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1034

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING IN ITS ENTIRETY ARTICLE III OF CHAPTER 2 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" ENTITLED "PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION" AND SUBSTITUTING NEW PROVISIONS THEREFOR RELATING TO THE SAME SUBJECT MATTER.

Councilman Jahn moved for approval of Ordinance No. 1034 at its first reading.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Benstead, Bradford, Jahn, Isen. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Blount, Drale. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Bradford hoped the present Commissioners are not under the impression that this lengthens their terms of office.

Councilman Drale said he did not believe in changing the length of the terms during the time the people were in office.

2. With a cover letter dated October 16, 1958, the City Attorney submitted an ordinance revising the terms of the members of the Library Commission to provide for 4-year terms, as directed by the Council at their meeting of October 7, 1958.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1035

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING SECTION 2.71 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENTS AND TERM OF MEMBERS OF THE LIBRARY COMMISSION AND SUBSTITUTING A NEW SECTION THEREFOR RELATING TO THE SAME SUBJECT MATTER.

Councilman Benstead moved for approval of Ordinance No. 1035 at its first reading.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, and carried by the follow-

ing roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Benstead, Bradford, Jahn, Isen. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Blount, Drale. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

3. With a cover letter dated October 16, 1958, the City Attorney submitted an Ordinance exempting non-users from rubbish collection fees. His letter explained that this has been approved by the Staff Members and by Messrs. Russell, Scharfman, Mansfield, and McVicar individually.

The City Attorney said the changes here are on Pages 4 and 5; the changes establish a delinquency date for rubbish charges, and more or less codify existing policy. He said this is here as a matter of clarification of the present policy.

Mayor Isen questioned whether this was a constitutional measure, but the City Attorney said this was taken verbatim from the Glendale ordinance, which has been declared constitutional. He went on to say this was recommended by the Staff.

The City Attorney said this would allow exemption for those who actually do not receive any benefits from the service.

Councilman Drale felt everyone received some benefit from this service, and he did not think anyone should be exempted from the charge.

Councilman Beasley pointed out that the service is available.

Assistant City Manager posed a question as to whether a person away from the City for three months should be charged under the policy of the Council.

Councilman Jahn said such a person would still have to pay the minimum charges on other utility services.

Councilman Jahn moved this be filed.

The City Attorney asked the Council to clarify the point of exemption if this is filed.

The Council agreed there should be no more exemptions.

The Assistant City Manager said at the present time the City has been allowing people to certify that they do not receive any service or benefit and exempting them; he asked if this should continue or be ceased.

Councilman Drale said so far as he is concerned, there should be no exemptions.

Councilman Bradford felt if an industrial firm had an industrial pickup by a private firm, they could be exempt.

The City Attorney said they would not under the present Ordinance.

Councilman Bradford said we are not picking up industrial rubbish.

The City Attorney said we have the service available.

Mr. Mansfield said we do not render the service unless they ask for it.

Mr. Mansfield asked if it was the intent of the Council that the householder should not be exempted in the same manner.

Mayor Isen felt there should be exemptions where there is no service.

Councilman Blount said he felt we should go ahead as we have been doing, if an affidavit is filed.

Mayor Isen agreed with him, telling the City Attorney and Assistant City Manager that a policy had been unanimously adopted by the Council on this.

PROCLAMATIONS:

Mayor Isen proclaimed October 31, 1958, as YOUTH HONOR DAY in the City of Torrance, and urged everyone to observe that day with appropriate ceremonies and activities in schools, churches and other appropriate places. He noted that this YOUTH HONOR DAY had been originated by the Moose Lodge, and congratulated them.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Rubbish Collection:

A. E. McVicar had a short report to make concerning the fees for rubbish collection, and was requested to make a written report to the Council on this.

Bus Department:

Bus Dept. Supt. M. A. Chamberlain told the Council that we are overhauling the bulldozer from the dump, and need a hydraulic pump. A new one will cost \$461.03, including tax. We also need a water pump for it, which will be \$94.16. He said he had brought the request in tonight because we are having to pay \$14 an hour for a bulldozer while ours is down.

Councilman Blount moved that the purchases be approved.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilmen:

1. Councilman Beasley noted that there had been much discussion about the delay of extending Hawthorne Boulevard over the hills south of the City, and he understood that recently the Road Commissioner said that improvement had been held up by a neighboring City.

Mayor Isen told him that the paper this evening asserted that had been cleared up and they have agreed to let this go through.

2. Councilman Beasley recalled his years of service on the Planning Commission, and said he felt need for clarification of what may be in a C-1, C-2 or C-3 zones. He felt we should have this very tightly specified.

Councilman Beasley moved the Planning Commission consider these three zones to make recommendations to the City Council on uniform uses for good planning.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn, no objections, so ordered.

3. Councilman Bradford asked what had happened with the Assistant City Attorney's examination.

The City Attorney said he did not know.

Mayor Isen asked for a report on this next week.

4. Councilman Bradford asked if there was any information about the consideration to be given to Del Amo Blvd.

Mayor Isen suggested this be held for a report from the City Manager.

5. Councilman Drale noted the great increase in property taxes. He felt there should be a law to prevent these from increasing too greatly in one year. He did not feel such increases were justified to the small property owner, and he suggested this be given consideration. He felt this should be considered by the Legislature.

Mayor Isen said this would be a most involved matter, and asked Councilman Drale if he would take this up with Assemblyman Thomas until something tangible can come of it.

6. Councilman Jahn moved appropriate expenses be allowed those Councilmen who attend the League of California Cities conference in Los Angeles.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Assistant City Manager Mansfield asked if Councilman Jahn had included members of the City Staff who attended that meeting.

Councilman Jahn said he had not received such a request.

Councilman Blount said according to our past policy, such personnel as attend the conference should be included, and he so moved.

Councilman Jahn seconded the motion.

Councilman Benstead asked who this would include, and Councilman Blount said he included Department Heads, which has been our policy.

Mr. Mansfield asked if the motion excluded the Assistant City Manager.

Mayor Isen thought he should attend the conference, and so did Councilman Beasley.

Councilman Blount said his motion had been only in accord with past policy, and he would not accept that.

Mr. Mansfield said past policy had included the City Treasurer and certain assistants to Department Heads.

Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

7. Councilman Jahn said some time ago, the Mayor had made a statement about having the post office addresses of everyone who lives in the City changed to a Torrance address. There has been a great hue and cry in the Hollywood Riviera section about this. There has been a concerted effort by people in business in that area to avoid this; some of them live in Torrance in the Riviera section. They feel if the post office is changed it will affect their business and perhaps the taxes they pay will come to the City of Torrance. He thought the idea a selfish one, saying if they receive their benefits from us we should have their cooperation. He doubted very seriously that the Redondo Beach post office address carried an aura of glamour. He felt this an opportunity to dispel those rumors. He said he would like to have his address be a Torrance address, as he owes his loyalty to the City of Torrance.

Councilman Jahn expressed the hope that those people who have been apathetic about this would become interested and express their loyalty to the City they live in.

Mayor Isen agreed, saying the people who live in our City get their schools, their police and fire protection, streets, etc., from the City of Torrance. Inasmuch as they are part of the City, this should be accepted.

8. Mayor Isen said a couple of weeks ago he had asked the City Attorney to ascertain from the law firm working on the Dominguez Estates water matter for us, namely, Newlin, Johnson & Tackabury, what it will cost us to have the briefs prepared that they are working on, etc. He said he has objected at all times to their charge of \$50 an hour. He felt other firms just as reputable and able who would not charge such a fee could have done the work for us. He asked the City Attorney to get from them a statement as to what our bill on this is going to be.

9. Mayor Isen reminded the Council that next week the League of California Cities will be holding their conference in the City of Los Angeles on Tuesday, the regular Council meeting day, and that the week after that there will be an election on Tuesday and these dates should be held in mind when the motion is made for adjournment.

10. Mr. Joseph Piatt of the Moose Lodge thanked the Council for the YOUTH HONOR DAY Proclamation, and told them this had today been adopted by the City of Los Angeles Council and by the Board of Supervisors. He took this opportunity to congratulate our Council upon the order and dispatch with which they conducted their affairs this evening, saying they might well serve as a model group to others.

Councilman Benstead moved all bills properly audited be paid.
Motion seconded by Councilman Blount and carried unanimously
by roll call vote.

Councilman Bradford moved to adjourn to 8:00 P. M. Wednesday,
October 29, 1958.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Jahn, carried unanimously by
roll call vote.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 P. M.

A. H. Bartlett, City Clerk of the City of
Torrance, California

By Gale Whitacre
Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED:

Albert Jahn
Mayor of the City of Torrance